Washington, **DC** - Congressman Bruce Braley (D-lowa) announced today \$8,645 in grant money to the Pathways Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Center in Fredericksburg. The center provides mental health and substance abuse counseling services.

"I'm happy to announce grant money that directly benefits lowa's families when they need it most," Braley said. "With this federal aid, Pathways can continue their service to the Fredericksburg area and offer patients the highest quality care possible. Many families rely on this facility to care for their loved ones and it's important that Pathways has the tools it needs to provide these valuable services."

Pathways Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment Center's main location is in Waterloo, with outlying facilities in Bremer, Butler, Buchanan and Grundy counties. The Fredericksburg center, in Chickasaw county, first opened in 2009 with help from a federal grant secured by Braley. These grants are made possible through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Development program.